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[Letter One:]

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, Pa., Coiner's Department, November 19, 1885

Hon. Danl. M. Fox Superintendent.

Sir

In reply to your enquiries relative to the bills of the Orr & Hess Machine Co. dated June 20th & 30th 1885, in so far as they relate to this Department, I have the honor to state that the articles therein enumerated were received, consisting of annealing plates & pans. Drawbench chain & carriage, Grate bars &c &c. and were ordered on requisition by the Dept. upon notification by the Foreman that they were necessary.

In reference to the days work charged on these bills, with the ordering of which I had nothing to do, the practice has been for the Belt Shifter on Ajax (No. 10) Coining Press was fitted and placed on the press after it was set up in the Coining Room not knowing that terms of the Contract for the press I am not competent to say whether the shifter should have been furnished as part of the press.

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Respectfully, A.W. Downing

November 16, 1885

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[Letter Two:]

To the Coiner of U.S. Mint

Dear Sir

In reply to your request for information respecting certain articles would state that

24 Plates and 170 grate bars for Annealing Furnace were received about July 1st and some of them are in use now. Four (4) Draw Bench Chains were received about the same time and are in place now on the Draw benches and may be seen at any time in constant use.

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Hoping this will be satisfactory.

I remain most Respy.

N.H. Webb

[Noted on back:]

Note. Memo: reply of McGinnis endorsed on O.H. & Co. bill of 20 June '85.

[Letter Three:]

Mint of the United States at Philadelphia, Pa., Coiner's Department,

The Foreman of the respective rooms to certify to its being correct, which was done in this case. But on referring to Mep. Webb & Downing the Foremen in regard to the time then certified to by them, I find that they are unable to give any definite information about the matter Mr. Downing states although he believes the time charged to be correct, he will not be qualified to that effect, as he is not certain that is the case. Mr. Webb's name appears on the bill as making correct 63 ½ days time made by the men of this firm, and he now says that he did not intend to cover that, as he only marked for the item opposite his name, but I have no hesitation in saying that it was understood at the time that he was signing for all the items embraced in the bill commencing from the last signature down, which he had been accustomed to do in other bills of a like nature.

The extra heavy Pulley charged on the bill I find was ordered by the Superintendent's Dept. for use by the New Agak Press and is now in use on the counter shaft in that connection.

Upon further inquiry I learn from the firm that they cannot specify at what particular point all the work was done, but that the time is charged only to the several Departments. Enclosed please find memorandum letters on the subject from the Foremen of the Rolling & Coining room & Mr. Clift.

Very Respectfully, Your Obt. Servant W.S. Steel Coiner.